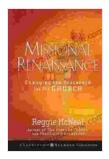
## Changing the Scorecard for the Church: Embracing a New Measure of Success



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Churches have traditionally measured their success by the number of people in attendance, the size of their budget, and the number of programs they offer. But what if these traditional measures of success are actually leading churches astray?

In his book Changing the Scorecard for the Church, Dr. Michael Foss argues that these traditional measures of success are not only inadequate, but they can actually be harmful to churches. They can lead churches to focus on the wrong things, to neglect their true mission, and to become more concerned with their own success than with the needs of the people they are called to serve.

Foss proposes a new paradigm for measuring the success of churches. He suggests that churches should focus on three key metrics: faithfulness, love, and humility.

- Faithfulness measures how well a church is living out its mission and vision. It asks the question, "Are we being faithful to the calling God has given us?"
- Love measures how well a church is loving its members and its community. It asks the question, "Are we creating a welcoming and inclusive environment where people feel loved and accepted?"
- Humility measures how well a church is serving its members and its community without seeking recognition or praise. It asks the question, "Are we serving others out of a spirit of humility and love, or are we seeking our own glory?"

Foss argues that these three metrics are a better measure of a church's success than traditional measures such as attendance, budget, and programs. He believes that churches that focus on faithfulness, love, and humility will be more effective in making a difference in the world.

Changing the Scorecard for the Church is a challenging book, but it is also a hopeful one. It offers a new vision for the church, a vision of a church that is faithful to its mission, loving to its members and community, and humble in its service.

If you are a pastor or church leader, I encourage you to read Changing the Scorecard for the Church. It will challenge you to think about what it means to be a successful church, and it will help you to develop a new measure of success for your church.

#### **About the Author**

Dr. Michael Foss is the founding pastor of The Journey Church in St. Paul, Minnesota. He is also the author of several books, including Missional Church: A Vision for the Sending Church and The God of Second Chances: Finding Hope in the Ashes of Failure.

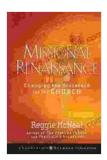
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### - Rick Warren, pastor of Saddleback Church

"Changing the Scorecard for the Church is a game-changer. Dr. Foss challenges us to rethink what it means to be a successful church, and he offers a new paradigm for measuring our impact on the world. This book will help you to lead your church to greater faithfulness, love, and humility."

### - Andy Stanley, pastor of North Point Community Church



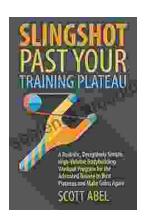
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